PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE KANANASKIS COUNTRY INTERDEPARTMENTAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 12, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. 2nd Floor, Canmore Nordic Centre 1988 Olympic Way, Canmore, AB

Present:

Co-chair:	Ray Andrews (Acting)Community Development	
Co-chair:	Rick Blackwood	Sustainable Resource Development
Secretary:	Laurie Christiansen	Community Development
Members:	Ray Andrews Bruce Atwell Mike Benny Eldon Bruns Brian Chinery Sandy Fisher Loren Winnick	Community Development Transportation Kananaskis Improvement District Sustainable Resource Development Environment (Alternate for Ian Dyson) Infrastructure Economic Development (Alternate for Kevin Crockett)
Guests:	Don CockertonCommunity DevelopmentOne member of the public during the last minutes of the public session	
Absent:	Dave Nielsen Kevin Crockett Ian Dyson	Community Development Economic Development Environment

- 1) <u>Review Minutes of May 13, 2003, Meeting</u> (All)
 - Minutes were approved as written, will be signed off, sent out, and posted on the website.
- 2) <u>Review of the Agenda</u> (All)
 - M. Benny identified items 6 and 7 will be addressed during the Public Meeting.
 - Item 8: Village Trading Post was cancelled by presenter S. McCoy
- 3) <u>Draft Plan Peter Lougheed/Spray Valley Provincial Park</u> (D. Cockerton)
 - A summary of comments received to date was handed out
 - Common comments concerned the level of new or expanded development proposed, trail use restrictions in the backcountry and funding for the maintenance of existing facilities.
 - A draft plan will be available for internal review at the January 4, 2004, KCICC meeting.
 - **Decision**: Item presented for information/update.
- 4) <u>Evan Thomas Management Plan Process</u> (D. Cockerton)
 - The committee was updated on outstanding issues related to zoning, expansion of existing facilities and next steps in the planning process.
 - **Decision**: KCICC supports the November 2003 draft plan recommendations concerning: designation, summer use at Nakiska, winter use at Nakiska, expansion of existing buildings, new small scale fixed roof accommodation, expansion of staff housing, new trails, expansion of camping, and a community centre.
- 5) <u>Winter Ski Trail Fees</u> (R. Andrews)
 - The committee was updated on public comments related to a suggested proposal to implement winter trail fees.
 - Discussion on how such a fee, if approved, could be implemented followed.
 - **Decision**: Item presented for information.

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- 6) <u>KID Subdivision & Development Authority (SDA) Fees</u> (M. Benny)
 Fees are collected as follows:
 - \$50.00 for the Subdivision Application
 - \$50.00 plus \$5.00 for every \$1,000.00 of construction value of the development to a maximum fee of \$15,000

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- Copy of the Land Use Order \$50.00
- Copy of Appendix B ONLY of the Land Use Order \$20.00
- These fees cover the program costs and must be re-confirmed for 2004.
- Motion (M. Benny): That the fee structure established at the September 10, 2002, KCICC meeting remain intact for the 2004 calendar year.
- Second: R. Andrews.
- Motion Carried: Unanimously.
- **Decision**: Item presented for action, as above.
- 7) <u>Kananaskis Country Architectural Theme Update Euroslate</u> (M. Benny)
 - Changes to the KC Architectural Theme must be approved by KCICC.
 - M. Benny updated the committee on a new roofing material called Euroslate which is made of recycled tires. This product has a 50 year lifespan (double other roofing materials); meets the Theme and Fire Smart requirement. The cost of Euroslate is similar to shakes. Literature and a sample were available to look at.
 - The Operations Support group has tested and researched Euroslate to see if the product claims are reasonable, and by all accounts they are.
 - Addition of Euroslate to the Architectural Theme as an approved product is being sought.
 - **Decision**: Amend MO#07/02 of the Kananaskis Country Land Use Order to reflect the addition of this building product. Also requested is an amendments to the Kananaskis Country Architectural Theme, Page 39, Roofing Section #4, to remove cedar shakes as an approved roofing material for new/replacement roofing. Small repairs/maintenance to an existing cedar shake roof will be the only approved use of cedar shakes.
- 8) <u>Roundtable (All)</u>

E. Bruns

- Bear issues have been put to bed for the season. There were two maulings during 2003.

M. Benny

- Update on G8 Legacy projects. Two programs underway are the Environmental Chair and wildlife crossings.
- The Environmental Chair has been hired (Ed Johnston from U of C) and will be housed at the Kananaskis Field Station. Currently hiring is taking place for support staff.
- Two wildlife crossing projects will be undertaken; the Rundle Forebay and Deadman's Flats wildlife crossings.
- Rundle Forebay consists of one structure. The construction contract has been awarded and construction is underway. The project is being

coordinated by the federal and provincial governments and TransAlta Utilities. Alberta Transportation will maintain the structure. The project is scheduled to wrap up the first week of December with the G8 Legacy committee viewing the structure at its December meeting. Monitoring of human use of the structure will commence. The project will be completed under budget. A donation of rail cars was received from CN which helped this.

- The left over money has ensured the Deadman's Flats project will go ahead.
- Alberta Transportation will hire the designers of this crossing and act as construction management for the Deadman's Flats wildlife crossing project. The federal government funding must be dispensed by 31 March 2004, and will go directly to Alberta Transportation. The community fencing issue remains outstanding at this time.
- Representatives from Community Development and Economic Development have met with Infrastructure to develop a business case for asset protection for the Canmore Nordic Centre (CNC). The CNC was built 1984-86, with the first events in 1986 in preparation for the 1988 Olympics. The snowmaking system chosen at that time was crude and it has deteriorated. The Business Case being developed outlines replacement of the existing snowmaking system with a scaleable system which can easily be expanded in the future, if there is funding to do so.

M. Benny, S. Fisher, R. Andrews, and L. Winnick to meet following the KCICC meeting to discuss further.

B. Chinery

- The "Water for Life" project is keeping Environment busy.

B. Atwell

- Has been seconded to a special assignment – to work on "P3" projects. He will return to his current position at some point in the future.

R. Blackwood

- Efforts to control Mountain Pine Beetle have been very successful. Forestry crews are currently surveying and find about 10 percent of the initial infestation remains but the numbers of affected trees are down significantly and they feel controls have contained the problem.
- The Spray Lakes Sawmills preliminary forest plan has been accepted. Work will commence on the final Forest Management Plan. A stakeholder meeting was held on October 29, 2003. A detailed update from that meeting will be presented at the next committee meeting.

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D. Cockerton

- Husky Oil has gas wells in the McLean Creek area. Husky Oil has donated money for fish habitat enhancement. Five vehicle bridges have been constructed over fish streams with money donated to the Friends of Kananaskis; some steel materials have been donated by a member of the Alberta United Recreationist Society as well. A sixth bridge will be replaced in the spring 2004. The Elbow River Watershed Partnership has had input to the project and the bridges are all engineer-stamped structures.

Minutes approved by:

Ray Andrews, Co-Chair, KCICC (Acting)

Rick Blackwood, Co-Chair, KCICC

Next Meeting Tuesday, January 13, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. Canmore Provincial Building 1st Floor Boardroom